

GIRL A PRISONER FOR FIVE DAYS.

Fourteen-Year-Old Elsie Rickert Enticed to a House in Harlem and Held by Three Young Men.

RESCUED BY THE POLICE.

Clue to Her Plight Furnished by Mother of Another Young Woman—Captors Taken to Court and Held in \$5,000 Bail Each.

After the police had told a story of the rescue of a fourteen-year-old girl from a Harlem house where she had been enticed and held captive for five days, Thomas Dorn, of No. 172 East One Hundred and Twentieth street, John Dasseau, of No. 238 East One Hundred and Nineteenth street, and Charles Lewis, of No. 226 Second avenue, were each held in default of \$5,000 bail to-day in the Harlem Police Court, each of the prisoners is nineteen years old.

Elsie Rickert, an under-sized girl with pretty black eyes, lived with her mother at No. 303 West One Hundred and Thirtieth street until last Friday evening, when Jennie Turner called on her. Jennie asked the girl to go to the theatre with her, and that was the last she was seen at home.

Jennie returned to her home at No. 2076 Eighth avenue on Sunday night, but she would not tell where she had been nor where Elsie was. Her mother, who had had much trouble with her, turned her over to the police, asking that she be sent to some institution as an incorrigible.

Detective Mooney, who was working on the case, last night found Elsie Rickert at Dorn's house with Dorn and Lewis. She was in a pitiable condition. The three were arrested, and later Dasseau was found.

In court to-day the fourteen-year-old girl said that Jennie Turner had introduced her to the three men, and that after riding on the elevated road several hours Jennie induced her to go to Dorn's room with them. She told a story of ill treatment. The other girl begged her to stay there and brought her home.

LE COURT RECOVERING.

Broker Stricken at His Desk Will Probably Get Better.

Henry M. Le Count, charter member of the Cotton Exchange, was reported to-day as recovering from an attack of cerebral congestion at the Hudson Street Hospital and will probably fully recover. Mr. Le Count is a life-long resident of New Rochelle.

His mindy is the result of a too close attention to business affairs. He suffered a slight stroke at his home, but went to his office as usual yesterday, where he was seized with a second and more severe attack while at his desk.

BOY'S FIND OF \$500 IS SAVED.

Little Johnny Maddigan Picked Up Jewelled Watch and Pendant and Brooklyn Police Offered Them for Sale.

FIRST ARRESTED HIM.

When No Owner Was Found for the Trinkets Police Insisted on Keeping Them—Evening World Will Try to Restore Them to the Boy.

The bargain-hunters who assembled at the auction sale of unclaimed property held at the Brooklyn Police Headquarters to-day were much astonished when the most valuable piece of jewelry offered for sale was withdrawn. It was a gold watch and chain, with a diamond-studded locket attached, valued at \$500, and thereby hangs a tale.

It was found by fourteen-year-old Johnnie Maddigan two years ago, when he was on his way to one of the big department stores in the shopping district of Brooklyn, where he hoped to get some old wood to take to his home at No. 541 Baltic street, where he lived with his parents and three small children in abject poverty.

When Johnnie returned home and exhibited his find he learned of the value of the jewelry, and as the family was hard pressed for money attempted to pawn it at a local office at Douglas and Butler street. The clerk accused him of stealing the watch and told him to bring his father with him the following day to prove that the property was his.

When the boy returned next day he was arrested by Detective Joseph Roberts, of the Butler street station, and committed to the charge of the Gerry Society.

His father, James Maddigan, obtained bail for him and he was brought before Magistrate Bristow, in the Butler Street Court, two weeks later to answer to the charge of grand larceny. As no one claimed the jewelry he was discharged. The police retained possession of the watch and when after repeated efforts to regain it, Johnnie applied at Police Headquarters yesterday afternoon, he was informed that the property would be sold at auction to-day along with many other unclaimed articles which the police had collected for many years.

When an Evening World reporter called at the Maddigans home, he was told of the decision of the police, and accompanied by Johnnie, he went to the Brooklyn Headquarters where the sale was in progress and demanded that the watch and chain be withdrawn from the sale.

Assistant Property Clerk E. E. Noonan refused to restore the jewelry unless he obtained an order from the Supreme Court. Steps to obtain this order have been taken by the Evening World.

"JOHNNY" MADDIGAN, WHO PICKED UP A \$500 WATCH.



KILLED HERSELF BY SITTING DOWN.

Mrs. Dougherty Missed the Chair, Fell and Struck Her Head, Dying Instantly.

Mrs. Anna Dougherty, of No. 496 Sterling place, was killed to-day in a most remarkable way. She went to sit down in a chair, but miscalculated its distance and fell. She struck the back of her head on the chair and died instantly. Mrs. Dougherty was sixty years old.

She was talking to a member of her family when the accident happened, and stepped backward to where she thought the chair was, without looking. She sat down hard on the floor and then keeled over with great force so that her head hit the chair just behind her.

Other members of the family picked her up and sent for a doctor, who said that she had died instantly. It is not thought that her skull was fractured, but that the shock affected her heart. The coroner will hold an autopsy.

GERMAN WARSHIP ASHORE.

Wittelsbach Is Stranded on the Danish Coast.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 17.—The German turret ship Wittelsbach is ashore near Koeber. The German warships Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and Prinz Heinrich have gone to her assistance.

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THE PRUME DIVORCE CASE IS REOPENED.

Wealthy Husband, Ill, Said He Had No Chance to Defend Action Brought by Wife.

P. J. Jehin-Prume, a wealthy Frenchman, with residences in Manhattan and the Spa, Belgium, was granted permission to-day by Justice Maddox, of Brooklyn, to come into court and present his defense to the divorce which

was granted Blanche L. Jehin-Prume in October last. Attorney C. Y. Campbell, of No. 25 Pine street, representing the petitioner, said that in August, while his client was ill at the Spa he was served with a summons in his wife's divorce action. When she he went to Paris and retained Attorney Ovide Robillard there. The latter cabled Attorney Campbell to look after Jehin-Prume's interests. But by that time the divorce had been granted Mrs. Jehin-Prume by default. Mr. Campbell said that his client was now in Pastuck, R. I., but that he was still ill.

Attorneys Davenport and Bull, representing Mrs. Jehin-Prume, were in court to-day and did not oppose the petition and permission was granted to reopen the case.

Fall Kills Nonagenarian.—SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 17.—Daniel Sanborn, ninety-three years old, is dead here from the effects of injured received by falling six weeks ago. He was born in Pottsville, Pa., and was a prominent merchant here for fifty years.

WHAT DR. BOYD SAID

Father John's Medicine Had Cured His Patient of Pneumonia.

Capt. Allen T. Hodge, of the Capital Police Force, Washington, D. C., writes: "Father John's Medicine cured me of a bad attack of pneumonia, and surprised Dr. Boyd, my physician, who said your medicine was 'All right and ought to be in every family.'"

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We will place on sale THURSDAY at SPECIAL PRICES

Near-Seal Coats, 22 inches long, high roll collar and wide revers, satin lined, Values \$35.00 & \$40.00, at \$26.50 & \$34.00

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Squirrel Stoles and Muffs to match. Fur lined. NOW AT Stoles, \$16.50 & \$25.00, \$11.00 and \$19.50 Muffs, \$18.00 & \$28.00, \$12.50 and \$22.50

Alaska Sable Scarfs and Muffs To match. Scarf 55 inches long; with tails. VALUES { Scarfs, \$18.00, NOW AT { \$13.50 Muffs, \$9.75, \$7.25

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Children's Fur Sets In all the suitable furs, which include Krimmer, Ermine, Chinchilla, Mouffeton, Mink, and so forth.

SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY. Nutria Sets (Scarf and Muff), \$3.75 and \$4.75 Water Mink Sets (Scarf and Muff), \$2.90 China Lamb Sets (Scarf and Muff), \$1.25 White Thibet (Scarf and Muff), \$2.90 and \$4.50

Women's Handkerchiefs.

Are they represented on your gift list? The saving will be well worth while if you will let us provide them. New designs in lace and embroidery that express the perfection of the needleworker's art.

Linen Handkerchiefs, hand embroidered, six in a fancy box, \$1.50. Handspan Linen Handkerchiefs, with tape borders, 38c. to \$1.75 each. Linen Handkerchiefs, hand embroidered, with initial, 50c. to \$3.00 per half dozen. Linen Handkerchiefs, plain hemstitched, six in a box, \$1.25. Linen Handkerchiefs, with borders in delicate tints, hand embroidered, 25c. to \$8.00 each. Real Valenciennes Lace Handkerchiefs, \$1.00 to \$12.00 each. Real Point Duchesse Lace Handkerchiefs, \$1.00 to \$50.00 each. Rose Point Lace Handkerchiefs, \$3.25 to \$50.00 each.

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Here you will find gift suggestions aplenty in Feather Boas with Muffs to match; Chiffon and Lace Boa and Muff Sets, Chiffon or Lace Collars or Yokes, Embroidered Collar and Cuff Sets, Stocks, Fichus, Scarfs, Ties and Jabots.

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We place on sale THURSDAY at SPECIAL PRICES

Women's Waists.

Waists of Flannel, tailor stitched plaits, corded with black velvet, large velvet buttons; in gray, light blue, rose, tan, cardinal, reseda, royal, white or black. Value \$2.25. At \$1.50

Waists of Flannel, tucked front, trimmed with small velvet buttons; also plaited front trimmed with plain silk, fancy collar; all colors. Value \$2.75. At \$1.85

Waists of Botany Flannel with stitched box plaits, fancy trimmed stock collar, in a variety of colors. Also

Waists of Brilliantine, black with white stitching, several styles; also black and white polka dot stitched in black. Value \$4.00. At \$2.85

A full assortment of Cotton Waists of Pique, Cheviots and Vestings in the newest styles. From \$1.50 to \$7.50

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Supplement their toys with something to provoke the spirit of personal neatness. The following suggestions will do that, and the prices will save you enough for the toys.

Boys' Sailor Suits of navy, brown or red serge, collar trimmed with braid, embroidered design on shields; 3 to 8 years. Value \$5.00. At \$3.75 Boys' Russian Blouse Overcoats of blue, red or tan Kersey Cloth, also blue or gray Frieze; embroidered emblem on sleeve, velvet collar; 3 to 7 years. Values \$6.50 and \$7.50. At \$4.75 Angora or Camel's Hair Tam o'Shanter in blue, red, white or black; also mottled effects. Values 95c and \$1.25. 50c and 75c Boys' Silk Suspenders in solid colors or figured designs, in fancy boxes. Value 75c. At 50c

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Flannel Petticoats.

White Flannel Petticoats, with feather-stitched hem. At \$1.25 White Flannel Petticoats, umbrella ruffle with scalloped edge. At \$1.98 Imported French Flannel Petticoats, umbrella ruffle with silk embroidery, in pink, light blue or white. At \$2.98

A generous assortment of Albatross and Crepe Petticoats, silk lined, daintily trimmed with lace and ribbons. From \$5.00 to \$13.50

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Taffeta Silk Petticoats, with hemstitched accordion plaited or section ruffle, in black or colors. \$4.95, \$7.50, \$9.75 and 10.50

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Sacques of Eiderdown, variety of styles in rose, pink, gray, lavender, light blue or red. At 98c Sacques of Ripple Eiderdown, high neck, button side effect, bound with satin and trimmed with velvet ribbon. Also Sacques with sailor collar, bound with satin; in red, rose, light blue, pink or lavender. At \$1.98

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Wrappers of Ripple Eiderdown, pointed collar, bell sleeve, bound and trimmed with fancy braid; in blue, pink, lavender or red. At \$3.95 Kimono Wrappers of Ripple Eiderdown, trimmed with wide black satin folds and heavy cord girdle; in blue, pink or red. At \$5.00

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Drawers to match, in a variety of dainty designs. From \$2.95 to \$5.50

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Men's Watches, guaranteed American movement, in gun metal cases. At \$2.75

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Men's solid gold Watches, hunting case, Waltham movement, guaranteed full jeweled. At \$19.50

Women's gold-filled Watches, warranted to wear for twenty years. American movement, fully guaranteed. At \$11.50

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Men's Watch Chains, solid gold. From \$6.50 to \$25.00

Fob Chains of heavy silk, gold plate or sterling silver seals and fancy buckles; plain or set with stones. From \$1.25 to \$3.50

Lorgnette or Opera Chains, black wood balls and bogwood beads, in plain or fancy designs, 95c. to \$3.50

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Men's and Boys' solid gold Seal or Signet Rings, handsomely carved designs in emeralds, horsetails, acorns or flowers. \$2.50 to \$30.00

Men's Solitaire Diamond Rings, 14 karat solid gold, Belcher setting. \$21.00, \$23.00, \$27.00, \$43.00

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Solitaire Diamond Rings, 14 karat solid gold, Tiffany setting. \$21.00, \$25.00, \$32.00, \$35.00, \$49.00

Scarf Pins.

Scarf and Stick Pins, Solid Gold, set with Roman, Persian or Baroque Pearls. From 95c to \$3.50

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Link Cuff Buttons, solid gold, in various designs, including scrolls, heads and so forth. At \$2.50 Link Cuff Buttons, solid gold, beaded patterns, diamond centre. At \$6.75

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Cigar Cutters of solid gold, plain or chased designs, with or without initial settings. From \$7.25 to \$24.00

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